## TOWN OF SEEKONK Planning Board

## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** The Planning Board

From: John P. Hansen Jr., AICP, Town Planner

**Date:** May 16, 2011

**Re:** Housing Partnership

One of the strategies outlined in the Housing Production Plan (HPP) is to establish a housing-related community entity or Housing Partnership, which can serve as a clearinghouse for all housing information, programs, and strategies. The HPP describes the possible actions of this body as:

- Review proposed town policies and their impact on the housing market,
- Propose strategies to help address housing needs as they arise.
- Serve as the lead negotiator for future 40B developments and will advise the Board of Selectmen and the Zoning Board of Appeals on affordable housing issues and projects.
- Cultivate appropriate projects and provide guidance through the permitting process.

With several potential projects being discussed and a willingness by the CPC to fund housing projects, the Town should look to establish such a group.